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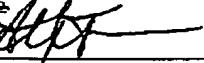
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This Amendment and Reply is filed in response to the final Office Action dated May 3, 2006.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page two (2) of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page six (6) of this paper.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper.